

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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For: MUTANT *PSEUDOMONAS MENDOCINA*  
CUTINASE (AS AMENDED)

Examiner: D. Steadman

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated November 14, 2007 for which a response was due on February 14, 2008. Filed herewith are a Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 14, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein, are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.